

**COMMUNITY CONCERT ASSOCIATION**

This budget has decreased from \$5,700 last year to \$5,500 this year, representing a 3.5% decrease. The Community Concert Association has been included in the County's annual budget since FY 2001, and will enjoy their 33<sup>rd</sup> season next year.

The organization hosts six (6) to seven (7) community concerts at Southampton High School annually, appealing to a wide variety of musical interests. In the past, performers have included the Walter Noona Trio, The Lettermen, and The Virginia Symphony, among others.

The Community Concert Association clearly enhances our local quality of life which has a direct relationship with economic development. According to the *Comparative Report* published annually by the Auditor of Public Accounts, Southampton County's investment in cultural enrichment is among the lowest in the state. We certainly have room for improvement in this area.

Accordingly, I have included \$5,500 in this draft budget, which equates to roughly 28¢ per capita.

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ACCOUNTING PERIOD 2010/02

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--TOTAL DEPARTMENT--

----- Prior Years -----			----- Current Year -----		--2010/2011 Budget Year --		
Expenditure 2006/2007	Expenditure 2007/2008	Expenditure 2008/2009	Adopted Budget	Actual On 2010/02	Department Request	County Admin Recommends	Adopted Budget
5,000	6,000	6,000	5,700	5,700	5,500	5,500	
5,000	6,000	6,000	5,700	5,700	5,500	5,500	
TOTAL - ** CULTURAL **					5,500	5,500	
TOTAL FOR FUND					5,500	5,500	
FINAL TOTAL					5,500	5,500	

Franklin-Southampton Concert Association  
P.O. Box 99  
Courtland, VA 23837

February 24, 2010

To: The Southampton County Board of Supervisors

We hereby request your consideration for continued support of the Franklin-Southampton Concert Association for the coming fiscal year. Our series showcases fine musical talent and makes it available to the citizens right here and at an affordable price. Furthermore, it is a series that commands respect and even envy from neighboring areas.

Our 2008-2009 series began in September with a concert by tenor *Daniel Rodriguez*, the singing policeman of 9/11 fame, and in October we presented "*Forever Irish*" starring Carnegie Hall veteran Andy Cooney and a troupe of dancers and singers, as well as a comedian who featured clean family humor.

Our offering for January was cancelled due to inclement weather, but the concert by *Chapter 6*, a male a cappella group, has been rescheduled for May 5<sup>th</sup>.

This past Sunday the *Walter Noona Trio* presented favorite songs from each decade to the delight of our audience. This jazz group is a favorite of our members and has performed frequently over the years.

In March our members will enjoy our annual visit by the *Virginia Symphony*, a nationally recognized group now celebrating its 90<sup>th</sup> season.

In April, with a great deal of pride, we will host *The 5 Browns*, five siblings who will perform on five grand pianos. Their talent, enthusiasm and engaging personalities keep their audience clamoring for more. They have performed frequently on public radio and television, and were featured in the 2009 Virginia Arts Festival. Residents in metropolitan areas are amazed that we can bring this group to Southampton County. Their appearance is a milestone in our series.

We are aware of the need for financial restraint and are examining our budget. We cannot cut personnel or salaries because our staff is entirely volunteer. We have no telephone or travel expenses as our board members absorb all such expenses. Thus the area in which expenditures can be cut may involve a reduction in the number and/or the quality of our performances. We will attack our budget problems with all of the

ingenuity we can muster in hopes of avoiding either of these alternatives. We are studying the possibility of membership fee increases, but fear that this would be an unwise move in light of the financial problems of our members and prospective members.

We ask that you appropriate no less than \$5,500 for our 2010-2011 season.. We hope you will agree that this is a reasonable reduction in light of the historic minimal funding for cultural activities.

We assure you that we will be most grateful for whatever sum you appropriate and will use it frugally to produce the best possible series.

I am enclosing copies of our 2009-2010 program books. Please call me if you have any questions or wish additional information. Thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy T. Rowe". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Nancy T. Rowe  
President

Franklin-Southampton  
Community Concert Association

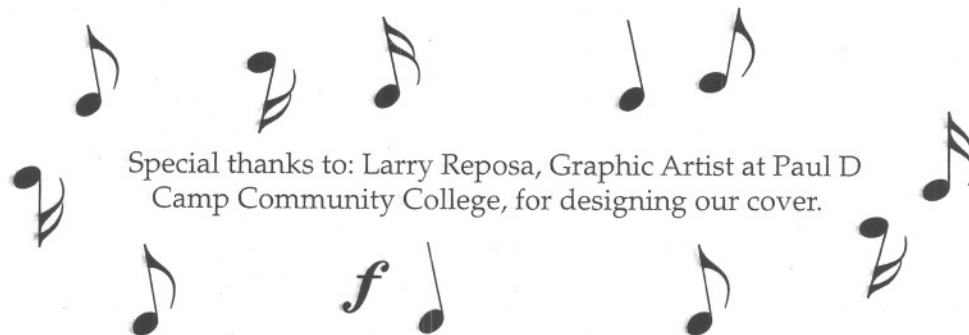
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# *2009 - 2010 Season*



## Presenting our 32nd Year Entertaining You

The Franklin-Southampton Concert Association is pleased to be weathering the economic situation and we cross our fingers every time we line up our concerts not knowing what support we are going to get. Our concerts may not always be people you recognize but there is a lot of great talent out there and your Board spends countless hours trying to get you the very best it can within our budget limits. We thank each and every one of you for seeing the value of what we are trying to do and for joining our 2009-2010 series. We hope when this season ends you can say, "I came, I saw, I listened and I enjoyed the entire series." Bring on the next year!



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## DANIEL RODRIGUEZ

*Saturday - 8:00 pm*

*September 26, 2009*

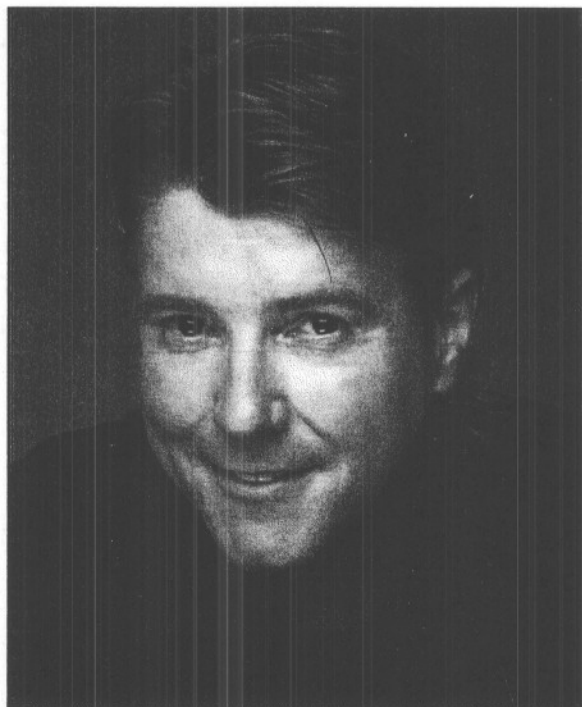


**Daniel Rodriguez**, "America's Beloved Tenor", with his rich, warm tenor voice has won the hearts of Americans around the country. Faith has guided Daniel, whose rise has been a meteoric one for a young man who as a New York Police officer became one of the department's official singers. History intervened for the now retired NYPD officer on September 11, 2001. More than a patriotic gesture, his stirring renditions of "God Bless America" and the National Anthem became statements of solidarity, determination and hope that galvanized fellow New Yorkers and Americans. He has performed around the world including the 2002 Winter Olympics, concerts in Washington, D.C., and venues across America. The variety of his repertoire includes traditional, spiritual and church songs; his goals include the Broadway stage, opera and acting." I don't want to limit myself," he says.

## ANDY COONEY - FOREVER IRISH

*Sunday - 7:30 pm*

*October 11, 2009*



From a sold out performance at Carnegie Hall to Southampton County!! Andy Cooney has always been a favorite among American and Irish audiences everywhere. With his talent and versatility combined with his outstanding voice and dynamic stage presence he delivers a song directly to the hearts of his audience. Being christened "Irish America's Favorite Son" by the New York Times is a title he truly deserves. He surrounds himself with the finest musicians and entertainers who will entertain the audience with a celebration of happiness that makes memories last forever. Especially enjoyable will be the Darrah Carr Irish Step Dancers.

## CHAPTER 6

*Saturday - 8:00 pm*

*January 30, 2010*

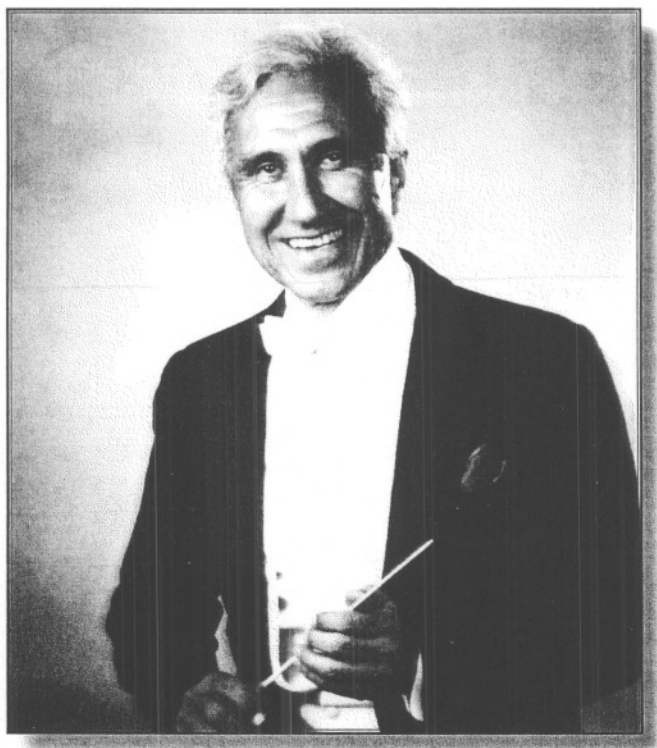


Chapter 6, a premier jazz a cappella ensemble from Illinois, made their professional debut in 2001 and immediately began receiving numerous awards and recognition for their technique, performance, and unique, original arrangements. Chapter 6 has been enthusiastically received by audiences across the United States and Canada. As they tour diverse venues, their reputation grows internationally. The group's versatility and appeal knows no bounds, capturing audiences of all ages and musical tastes. Their comedy-infused blend of pop, jazz, gospel, and rock brings spontaneous bursts of laughter and applause throughout the show. Audiences experience Chapter 6's contagious energy and spirit as they share great music, harmony, and the message of God's love and hope.

## THE WALTER NOONA TRIO

*Sunday - 3:00 pm*

*February 21, 2010*



Once again The Walter Noona Trio delights us for an evening of beautiful music. Mr. Noona on the piano, Ralph Copley, his percussionist, and Greg Hanson on the electric guitar, are always received with great excitement and appreciation of their sophisticated style and their mastery of many different musical genres. Mr. Noona is a native of Norfolk, and for many years he was the musical director and conductor of the Virginia Beach Pops Orchestra. He has built an outstanding reputation as a lecturer, teacher, conductor and author of publications in piano instruction which are distributed in Great Britain, Germany, Japan, Canada, and the U.S.

## THE VIRGINIA SYMPHONY

*Saturday - 8:00 pm*

*March 13, 2010*



Recognized as one of the nation's leading regional symphony orchestras, the Virginia Symphony, under the direction of JoAnn Falletta, has enriched the cultural life of the Hampton Roads community for more than eight decades. The Symphony annually performs more than 140 Classical, Pops, Family, Education and Outreach concerts, including orchestral support of the acclaimed Virginia Opera, Virginia Arts Festival, and Virginia Ballet. Through the generosity of the Camp Foundation we are again fortunate to have them for this performance tonight. Associate Conductor Matthew Kraemer, a native of Richmond, Indiana, studied in Vienna and is an accomplished violinist. He has been with The Symphony for three years and we welcome him and The Symphony members tonight!

## THE 5 BROWNS

*Tuesday - 7:30 pm*

*April 13, 2010*



A youthful, all-American quintet of brothers and sisters, each a virtuoso concert pianist, The 5 Browns swept the classical world in 2005 with the release of their first recording for RCA, and by the end of the year they were regarded as one of the Top Classical Artists of 2005. The 5 Browns are already delivering on their dream of waking up classical music and introducing it to the widest, largest and most excited audience they can find. With fresh energy and sound, they are opening doors to classical music for younger audiences. The Browns present themselves as they really are: young adults with a modern look who love fashion, sports, computer games, dancing and all types of music-most of all, classical. And audiences, especially the kids, are blown away when the five perform in concert. When the 5 Browns sit down to perform on their five Steinway grand pianos, their eyes lock, and a silent signal passes between them as they transform instantly from "regular" kids to musical dynamos. The exciting thing is that they are not only gifted but really enjoy what they are doing!

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## Franklin-Southampton Concert Association 2009-2010 Concerts

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All concerts are at Southampton High School.  
Please note the different times.  
Contact Nancy Rowe for more details 757-653-2498.